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SUBJ: FRENCH EXTERNAL TRADE MINISTER VISITS SOUTH AFRICA

1. RAND DAILY MAIL REPORTS THAT NORBERT SEGARD, FRENCH EXTERNAL TRADE MINISTER, AND TWENTY MAN DELEGATION ARRIVE JOHANNESBURG TODAY. MAIL CALLS SEGARD " SUPER SALESMAN" AND FIRST FRENCH MINISTER IN OFFICE EVER TO COME TO SA. STORY SAYS GROUPS TO STAY ONE WEEK DISCUSSING ECONOMIC AND COMMERCIAL COOPERATION BUT WILL NOT DISCUSS ARMS SALES.

2. COMMENT. LATEST SAG TRADE FIGURES BY COUNTRY SHOW IMPORTS FROM FRANCE (EXCLUDING ARMS) OF 138 MILLION RAND IN THE FIRST NINE MONTHS OF 1974, UP FROM 91.3 MILLION IN 1973. SA EXPORTS (INCLUDING GOLD COIN BUT EXCLUDING BULLION) WERE 49.7 MILLION, DOWN FROM 51.5 IN 1973.

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